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Senate Bill 727 (as introduced 9-6-05)

Sponsor: Senator Valde Garcia

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CONTENT

The bill would create a new act to establish the Office of Defense and Homeland Security Business Opportunities in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC). The Office would be required to do the following:

- Focus solely on job creation and job retention from business opportunities associated with defense and homeland security contracts.
- Coordinate with procurement technical assistance centers in this State to maximize business opportunities for businesses located in Michigan.
- Give priority to bringing business opportunities to counties hardest hit by manufacturing layoffs.
- Set a performance objective of increasing defense and homeland security contracts awarded to businesses located in Michigan by 25%.
- Provide resources needed to meet the performance objective within one year.

The Office would have to report directly to the president of the MEDC.

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FISCAL IMPACT

Under Public Act 225 of 2005, a piece of the tobacco securitization legislation, the Legislature appropriated \$10 million for FY 2005-06 to create a Defense Contract Coordination Center. This bill would create an office to house that center.

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